

# Earnest's

## Do Your Xmas Shopping Now.

Right now is the time to do your 'Xmas shopping. Stocks are fresh, assortments are at their best and the advantage cannot be too strongly urged. We have a neat and select stock of 'Xmas Novelties that will make acceptable gifts to anyone. Also a few select Dolls and Toys. In fact, any article in our store would make a handsome, useful and acceptable Holiday Gift.

## For the Next 2 Weeks

We are going to give you special prices on many article throughout our entire store. We do this to help make 'Xmas money go further. We also want to make this month the Banner month for business. We expect to double any previous month.

### Ladies' Suits for 'Xmas Gifts.

While our suits are badly broken up, we yet have a good many suits, all of which will be closed at a big reduction. We give you the cut price now so they will go quick, and while it is yet just the beginning of cold weather.

One lot of about 20 suits, worth up to \$16.00, mostly plaids and stripes; these are positively a bargain at \$15.00 and \$16.00, but will be sold while they last at **\$9.98**. This is positively the greatest suit bargain ever offered; any dressmaker would charge \$10 to \$12 for the making.

A few \$12.50 suits will go at **\$8.98**  
A few \$18 and \$20 suits to close at **\$14.90**

### Special Cut Price.

Our entire stock of Long Coats will be closed out at about 1/2 off their real value. We want to close these out before January, and we give them to you now when you need them most at prices you cannot afford to miss. Nothing better for a Xmas Gift.

\$5.00 long coats, well worth \$6, while they last **\$3.98**  
Our \$7.50 long coat and well worth it, while they last **\$4.98**  
Our \$10.00 and \$12.50 long coats will go at **\$8.90**  
Our \$13.50 long coat, black and tan, elegantly trimmed and well worth \$15.00 while they last at **\$9.90**  
Our \$17.50 longcoats, well worth \$20, to close at **\$12.50**  
Long Silk Coat, latest of fashion, our \$30.00 goods and sold in many places at \$35 and \$40, while they last **\$19.50**  
Children's coats worth \$3.00 to close out at each **\$1.98**  
Misses' Rain Coats, our \$7.00 grade and well worth it, while they last at **\$4.98**  
Good for cold as well as rain

### Kimonas at Big Reduction. A Nice 'Xmas Gift.

Our 65c Kimona, flannellette, neat patterns, while they last **49c**  
Extra heavy and beautiful designs worth \$1.25 go at **98c**  
Elegant Long Kimonas our \$1.39 grade to go at **98c**  
Our \$1.50 quality, while they last to go at **\$1.19**  
Very heavy and fine outtings worth \$3.50 at **\$2.98**  
Short Silk Kimonas at **\$4.98 and \$6.50.**  
Long Silk Kimonas **\$9.90 to \$12.50.**

### 36-in. Black Taffeta Silk.

Nothing more acceptable as a 'Xmas gift than a nice Silk Dress, and for 'Xmas shoppers we are going to give you our 36 inch blk Taffeta at **98c**. This price will last up to Christmas, but we doubt if the quantity we have will last 10 days at such remarkably low price. We also have an elegant line of plaid and stripe silks in shirt waist patterns and you will find the price on them right.

## The Palatka News

### City Happenings and Personal Mention.

Mrs. F. J. Fearnside is spending the week with friends in Crescent City.

Don't forget to leave your order with the board of trade committee for shade trees.

County Surveyor Raymond Price has been at Crescent City and Gainesville this week.

St. Mark's Bazaar and supper was big affair. Everything that was not sold was eaten on the spot.

Miss Ann Willard, daughter of Judge E. E. Willard of Jacksonville, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Willard.

The musical comedy drama, "Capit at Vassar," the first college girl play, will be produced here in the near future.

Luther Drakeford has added the fourth chair to his barber shop, so that his customers will not be obliged to wait.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Glass of Brooksville will move to Palatka next week, and occupy the old Peterman residence on the Heights.

S. E. Tubbs of Florahome was in the city yesterday. Mr. Tubbs states that measures are working favorably for a growth of that settlement.

Rev. M. E. Welch, the honored pastor emeritus of Plymouth Congregational church, Pomona, was a visitor in the city Wednesday.

In the gale of Wednesday night the medium sized oak tree which grew in the street in front of the court house was uprooted and blown down.

Miss Elizabeth Close of Asheville, N. C., a former popular music teacher of this place and Crescent City, is here for a time, the guest of Miss Mulholland.

Liberty Moving Pictures will be the attraction at the Howell Theater next Monday night, Dec. 9th, with new pictures. Prices will be 15 and 25 cents.

Mr. Eddie North of Bostwick and Mrs. Mary Wilkinson of this city were married at the home of Judge M. I. Cox, and by that official on Wednesday evening.

The Palatka Board of Trade has interested itself in promoting a telephone line from this city to Drayton Island and intermediate points, including Crescent City, Welaka and Nashua.

E. D. Daney of Orange Mills was a prominent visitor in the city last Monday. Mr. Daney says that the potato growers of his section have bright prospects for a successful season.

Word was received in the city on Monday of the death of the little 5-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hollinsake formerly of this place, but now living at Dowling Park. The little girl died on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Ford of Gainesville are in the city this week, guests at the home of Mrs. H. A. Gray. Mr. Ford was formerly general superintendent of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad.

Jake Myers, the well-known candy maker of Crescent City, and formerly the confectioner at L. A. Smith's, has returned to the city and will have charge of the new factory soon to be opened by James C. Ray in the rear of his new store.

Miss Belle Welch, of Palatka, will come to DeLand today and will be the guest of Miss Mary Stewart. Miss Welch is a Sorority sister of Miss Vaux and of Miss Stewart, and is a graduate of Hamilton college, Lexington, Ky., and of Wellesley college.—DeLand Record.

Dr. Frank McRae, ex-representative of Melrose, was in the city Tuesday visiting among his many friends. The doctor states that he will again be a candidate for the office of county treasurer in the democratic primary next spring and that he will make a thorough canvass of the county.

Rev. L. R. Lynn on Monday received the sad news of the death of his brother, Mr. R. R. Lynn, which occurred at the family home in Covington, Tenn., on Sunday afternoon. Deceased was 38 years of age and is survived by his wife and two little children. Mrs. M. E. Lynn, the mother, left here the week before and was with her son when he died. The cause of death was Bright's disease.

H. S. Matthews, general manager of the Graves Shale Paving Brick Co., Birmingham, Ala., has been in the city most of the week, a guest at the Saratoga Hotel. Mr. Matthews' company is the successful bidder for paving Lemon and Water streets and he will be more of the fact that the work is in progress. He states that the work will begin just as soon as the granite blocks for the curbing arrives.

Rev. J. F. Bell, pastor of St. James M. E. Church, south, will leave for conference next Tuesday, and next Sunday will, therefore, be his last service of the conference year. Mr. Bell has served the church in Palatka two years, and according to the Methodist polity may serve two years more, though, if the bishop so directs, he may be appointed to another charge. But Mr. Bell has served the church here faithfully and well and there is a popular demand for his return which will not likely be disregarded. The lay delegates to the conference are Messrs. W. G. Tilghman and S. J. Hilburn. At the service on Sunday night Mr. Bell will give a synopsis of his annual report of the work of St. James church.

Rev. Dr. R. L. Honiker of Carrabelle, a former greatly beloved pastor of St. James Methodist church was in the city a couple days this week, calling on old friends. Dr. Honiker will spend Sunday in DeLand and then go to Tampa to attend the annual conference of his church. That he is esteemed at Carrabelle, as he was here is apparent from the following item in the Times-Union correspondence from that place last Friday: "The people of the M. E. church, south, are grieving over the near approach of the session of the Florida annual conference, as they fear that body will remove their pastor, Rev. Mr. Honiker. Under his care, peace and prosperity has prevailed, and a gracious revival of religion has blessed the town. We here are his friends, and he is much beloved by the people of his congregation."

### The County Commissioners.

At the regular meeting of the county commissioners on Wednesday the report of Ferryman McNab showed that \$115.85 had been taken up in fares during November, notwithstanding 135 school children had been carried free. This is the best month for fares the ferry has yet had.

W. M. Williams was paid \$4.38 for goods furnished pauper Jas. Bradley before his death.

A bill was ordered paid for \$28.00 for maps and plat of government lands in Putnam county, and one copy was ordered sent to Tax Assessor Bulard.

The state pension claims of Mrs. Anna Daniels, Oliver W. Pearce, S. T. Jenkins, J. M. Stacy, J. P. Appleby and S. D. Crews were approved.

J. T. L. Brown, H. O. Hamm and L. C. Canova addressed the board in favor of a county exhibit at the Tampa fair.

J. H. Wylie addressed the board in behalf of lower freight rates for gravel for good roads purposes, and urged that the state railroad commission be asked to allow a lower rate.

The sum of \$1,400 was ordered paid out of the hard road fund to L. C. Canova, treasurer of the hard road committee in charge of the Palatka-Interlachen road.

San Mateo was placed on the list of towns entitled to a share in the road fund of 1907.

The county road roller was rented to the Graves Shale Paving Brick Company for use on the streets of Palatka at a rental of \$100, the company to return the machine in good condition and to give an indemnifying bond to that effect.

On Thursday the board took a trip over the new hard road to Francis, which has just been completed.

### The Sweetest Girl in Dixie.

This play, which is billed for the Howell Theater to-night, ranks with the best dramas seen here in which the plot centers about the home. The play is true to Southern life, and in the main reflects the hospitality, kindness, chivalry and gentleness that exists in the southern heart, yet is not lacking in fire and spirit when the occasion demands. The Newburn, (N. C.) Journal of Nov. 22d says:

"Miss Grayce Burgoyne, who was Babble, the sweetest girl in Dixie, made the entire house admire her by the naturalness of her conception. 'Uncle George' and 'Aunt Calline' made the audience roar with their negro oddities. They gave a fine representation of the faithful old negro servant. The other parts were good and the play was greatly enjoyed."

### The Organ Recital.

The organ committee of the Presbyterian Church wish to announce that the recital which was postponed on account of the illness of some of the performers will be given next Tuesday night, Dec. 10th, at eight o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to come and enjoy the excellent program which will be given by Palatka's best musicians.

A "free will offering" which will be applied to the organ fund will be taken during the evening.

### Death of Mrs. L. T. Dupree.

Mrs. L. T. Dupree died at her home in Palatka Sunday last Sunday after an illness of about two weeks. The funeral occurred from her late home on Monday afternoon with Rev. J. C. Colburn of the First Baptist church officiating. The interment was in the family lot at West View cemetery.

Mrs. Dupree was 63 years of age and had been more or less an invalid for years. Yet she was specially helpful in mitigating the sorrows of others. She was a good and kind neighbor and one whose ministrations and presence will be sadly missed.

Deceased is survived by her husband, Judge L. T. Dupree; a sister, Mrs. A. E. Wattles; and three nephews, W. E., F. D. and A. B. Wattles of this city.

### Three Cottages Burned.

An alarm of fire between one and two o'clock Thursday morning was occasioned by the burning of three small cottages near the corner of 5th and Main street. Sparks from these burning cottages were carried far and a total of eleven houses caught from these flying sparks, but were saved by the active work of the fire company. It was a cold night and there was a brisk wind from the northwest. Had it not been for the prompt work of the firemen Palatka would have suffered a serious conflagration. The work of the boys was fine and reflects credit upon the organization.

### Your Christmas Candy.

L. A. Smith, Palatka's popular confectioner, has an announcement in this paper that should cause every reader to sit up and take notice.

Every one buys candy for Christmas. They may buy a great many other things, but they are sure to buy a certain amount of candy. Smith's is Palatka and Putnam county headquarters for candy.

The bulk of confectionery sold here is the product of his own factory, and is the work of Frank Smith, one of the very best candy makers in the whole country. These are to be had all the year 'round, but in extra quantity at Christmas.

Then there are all the fine Hayler specialties in boxes and the crystallized fruit confections, and Peter's chocolates. In fact there isn't a thing in confections that cannot be obtained at Smith's at this season of the year.

Those who contemplate the purchase of confectionery, nuts, etc., for Sunday school Christmas trees, should look at the Smith stock early. Its the best in the state.

W. F. Soeba a Jacksonville liquor dealer was arraigned before Judge Cox yesterday afternoon on charge of soliciting and delivering liquor in a county where its sale is prohibited. Soeba waived examination and was bound over to the circuit court in the sum of \$500, which he gave.

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### READY FOR CONSUMERS.

#### Municipal Plant Will Now Furnish City Water to Citizens

The city council meeting of Tuesday night was one of more than ordinary interest from the fact that it was here that City Engineer Craig made the first public announcement of the practical completion of the new municipal water system. He stated that it reached such a state of completion that the city could proceed to advertise for consumers. The engineer was, on motion, requested to connect the water with all the city service except the cemetery before January 1st.

The Palatka Water Works and the Palatka Gas, Light & Fuel Co. were notified to lay their pipe on Water and Lemon streets to a grade established by the city engineer, who is to give the grade as soon as possible.

The engineer was authorized to place a floor in the power house and construct a wire fence around the reservoir, and also to order all materials necessary for making house connections.

The special council committee on water rates was requested to prepare a schedule of rates for consumers and report at the next meeting.

The committee on sidewalk inspection was granted further time.

Granolithic sidewalks were ordered on the east side of Front street from Reid to Madison streets.

The width of paving on Lemon street was fixed to be not less than 38 nor more than 40 feet.

The question of entrance to the city of the new Interlachen road was referred to the city attorney who is to draft papers as shown by map of street committee.

The finance committee was instructed to look into the matter of reducing the expenses of the city and report at next meeting.

Chief of Police Hagan was granted a 10 days leave of absence.

## The Christmas Spirit.

Do you know what that is? It is the generous spirit—the spirit of giving. There will be millions of gifts made between now and the New Year, and I wish to remind you that my store is full of goods suitable for gifts such as

Knit Goods, Table Covers and Bureau Scarfs, Handkerchiefs and Fancy Collars, Windsor Ties, Dolls, and Many Useful and Ornamental Novelties.

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### Alex. Grainger,

Cor. Lemon and 8th Sts.

Notice of Application for Tax Lead.  
Notice is hereby given that Geo. A. Downing, purchaser of tax certificate No. 53, dated the 3rd day of July, A. D. 1905, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Putnam county, Florida, to-wit:

Blk 36 Matanzas Lake, Section 10, Township 10, Range 24, containing 10 acres.

The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of J. C. Goss. Upon said certificate shall be released according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 11th day of Jan'y, A. D. 1908. Witness my official signature and seal this 5th day of December, A. D. 1907.

(Seal) JOSEPH PRICE,  
Clerk circuit court, Putnam county, Fla.

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## CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

**Useful Articles for  
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Eastman's Kodaks and Brownies.  
Gillette Safety Razors and Razor Sets.  
Meerschaum and Briar Pipes.  
Cuckoo, Eight Day and Gold Clocks.  
Manicure and Toilet Sets.  
Gold Watches and Chains.  
Cut Glass and Silver ware.  
Hand Bags and Pocket Books.  
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